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Dear Sir:

In accordance with applicant's duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56, we are enclosing form PTO-1449 listing information that may be material to the patentability of this application.

Cited in the attached PTO-1449 are U.S. Patent Nos. 4,246,433; 5,961,686, and 6,044,667. Pursuant to the waiving of the requirement of 37 CFR 1.98 (a)(2)(i), copies of these U.S. references are not enclosed.

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We are also enclosing a copy of each of the following citations that are listed in form PTO-1449:

GB 644,463;

DE 10005821;

DE 2705618;

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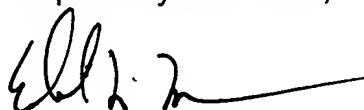
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It should be understood that attention has been called to the citations that have been deemed to be pertinent to the claimed present invention. In concluding what was pertinent, the criteria employed was considered most appropriate in light of the invention shown in the present application. However, the Examiner or others may deem some other criteria to be just as appropriate or more appropriate. Therefore, the Examiner is respectfully urged to review the listed citations and to make the usual careful independent search for other prior art that may be pertinent.

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Applicant respectfully requests favorable consideration and that this application be passed to allowance.

Respectfully submitted,



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U. S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

EXAMINER INITIAL	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE
	4,246,433	1/20/81	Seifried et al.	13	6	
	6,044,667	4/4/00	Chenoweth	65	540	
	5,961,686	10/5/99	Chenoweth	65	540	

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

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	SU 1016259	5/19/81	Soviet Union	C03B5	027		X
	DE 19939771	2/22/01	Germany	C03C1	00		X
	DE 19939779	2/22/01	Germany	C03B5	02		X
	DE 2705618	8/18/77	Germany	C03B5	22		X
	DE 10005821	8/23/01	Germany	H05B3	03		X
	GB 644,463	10/11/50	Great Britain				

OTHER DOCUMENTS (including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

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